

Doctrinal Studies **Bible Subjects**

ADOPTION – places us in a new position with the Father; we are not just followers or friends of God, we are sons and daughters – children of God; we have all the privileges and rights of His Royal Family. John 1:12,13; Rom. 8:15, 23; Rom. 9:4; Eph. 1:5

ANGELOLOGY – doctrine of angels.

ANTHROPOLOGY – the doctrine of man.

ANTHROPOPATHISM – human ability to describe Divine activity. Described in terms of human characteristics a Divine attitude toward man.

ANTI-SEMITISM- hostility in thought or action against the Jews.

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – The Holy Spirit takes believers at the moment of salvation and enters them into union with Christ. 1 Cor. 12:13.

BELIEVER – a person who has received Christ as personal Savior John 1:12.

BIBLIOLOGY – doctrine of the Bible.

CANON - books of the Bible recognized as genuine and inspired of God.

CARNALITY - the state of a believer controlled by the old sin nature (OSN)

DEITY – the character or nature of God.

DEMONOLOGY – doctrine of demons (fallen angels).

DISPENSATIONS – Divine categories, and/or the Divine outline of human history expressed in terms of Divine revelation. A period of time as God sees human history. In each age, God operates through an agency, such as Israel or the Church

DIVINE ESSENCE – characteristics or attributes of the Godhead. What God is like.

DOCTRINE – categories of Biblical information related to the plan of God.

ECCLESIOLOGY – the doctrine of the Church “ekklesia”.

ESCHATOLOGY – the doctrine of the “last things”.

EXPIATION – the removal of the penalty of sin.

FORGIVENESS – the putting away of sins. Eph. 1:6-7; Col. 1:12-14.

GNOSTICISM – false teaching which tries to reconcile Bible doctrine, philosophy, heathenism and Judaism. It claims all matter is evil.

GRACE – all that is free to do for man on the basis of the cross. The title of God’s plan for mankind.

GRACE SYSTEM OF COMPREHENSION (GSC) – the provision of God whereby EVERY believer can understand the Word of God, regardless of education or human I.Q.

HARMARTIOLOGY – doctrine of sin.

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HEATHENISM – an area where the Gospel has been preached and rejected.

HUMANITY – the character or nature of man. Jesus Christ is perfect and true humanity.

IMMUTABLE – unchangeable and faithful character of God.

IMPUTATION – The act of God whereby He credits perfect righteousness to the believer.

INCARNATION – God becoming flesh and taking the form of man – Jesus.

INSPIRATION – God so supernaturally directed the writers of Scripture that without waiving their human intelligence, literary style, or personal feelings, or any other human factor, His complete and coherent message to man was recorded with perfect accuracy, the very words of the original Scripture bearing the authority of divine authorship.

JUSTIFICATION – imputed righteousness; our position in Christ; a change of standing; to vindicate or acquit.

LEGALISM – human good; seeking to gain the approval or sanction of God by human works.

MEDIATOR – one who is equal with both parties of a mediation and therefore qualified to act as a go-between.

MILLENNIUM – a period of 1,000 literal years when Christ will reign on this present earth.

OLD SIN NATURE – the “old man” of Ephesians 4:22, the Adamic nature of “flesh” of Romans 8:3-4, the principle of sin. The OSN has an area of weakness which produces personal sins; and area of strength which produces human good; a lust pattern; and trends toward asceticism and lasciviousness.

REGENERATION – makes us partakers of the Divine Nature; our condition through Christ; change in nature. Titus 3:5

RELIGION – man, by his own efforts, trying to gain salvation or the favor of God.

RESTORATION TO FELLOWSHIP – (RTF) the believer’s being restored to fellowship through confession of sins 1 John 1:9.

SANCTIFICATION – to make holy; set apart; the action of the Holy Spirit in making the believer holy; filling of the Holy Spirit, walking in the Spirit.

Positional Sanctification – occurs at salvation. 1 Cor. 1:2; Heb. 10:10; Col. 2:10. We are set apart “in Christ”. We are partakers of the Divine nature.

Experiential Sanctification – identification. Eph. 5:26 which means “in fellowship”. Filled with the Holy Spirit. 1 John 3:1-2

Ultimate Sanctification – the believer in eternity. Phil. 3:21; 1 Thess. 5:23; 1 John 3:1-2. We are assured of a resurrection body. We shall live in His presence forever. “Holiness”, “saint”, “sanctify” and “holy” all come from the same Greek word and it means “to set apart” or “to be set apart”. Jesus Christ is set apart unto God, and since we are in Christ, we are set apart also unto God.

SPIRITUALITY – (The Abundant Life) Christ controlling the life by repeated (habitual) filling of the Holy Spirit.